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January 9, 2008

Re: Notice of Drafting for 2008 Revisions to Public Service Commission's Practice and Procedure, Water and Sewerage, and Transportation Regulations

Dear Carrier Owner/Operator/Manager:

Please take notice that the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (PSC) proposes to amend its regulations regarding the following:

- Instituting a maximum rate tariff system for the household goods industry
- Further revision to passenger carrier regulations to include drug testing requirements
- Adoption of regulations governing transportation of household goods by storage container
- Adoption of regulations to permit refunds to overcharged consumers of the household goods industry
- Further revision of passenger carrier regulations to authorize the ORS Inspectors to immediately remove jurisdictional unsafe vehicles or drivers from the State's roadways
- Addition of regulations governing "Stretcher Vans"

Members of the public and the regulated community are invited to participate in this process. Persons interested in providing comments may submit them to the Public Service Commission in writing at the address below no later than 4:45 p.m. on **January 31, 2008**.

**IMPORTANT:** Please reference Docket Number 2007-421-T for comments regarding the Maximum Rate Tariff issue. Please reference Docket Number 2007-445-A for comments regarding all other issues contained in this letter.

Public Service Commission of South Carolina Attn.: Docketing Department 101 Executive Center Drive Columbia, South Carolina 29210 A copy of the Notice of Drafting for each docket is attached for your reference. You may also view a copy of each Notice of Drafting as filed with the South Carolina Legislative Council at the PSC website at

http://dms.psc.sc.gov/dockets/dockets.cfc?Method=DocketDetail&DocketID=102598.

If you should have any questions regarding this matter please contact me at (803) 737-0984.

Sincerely,

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## PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA

CHAPTER 103

Statutory Authority: S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-3-140 (Supp. 2006)

### Notice of Drafting:

The Public Service Commission of South Carolina proposes to adopt regulations instituting a maximum rate tariff system for the household goods industry. Interested persons may submit comments to the Public Service Commission, Docketing Department, 101 Executive Center Drive, Columbia, South Carolina 29210. Please reference Docket Number 2007-421-T. To be considered, comments must be received no later than 4:45 p.m. on January 31, 2008.

#### Synopsis:

26 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-190 et seq. requires a motor carrier who operates under a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to receive Commission approval of all rates, fares, charges, classifications and rules for services to be performed. Hence, each time a motor carrier seeks to establish or change its rates, it must seek Commission approval. The Commission is interested in investigating the adoption of regulations instituting a maximum rate tariff system for the household goods moving industry.

Legislative review of this proposal will be required.

# 2008 Revisions to Public Service Commission's Practice and Procedure, Water and Sewerage, and Transportation Regulations

### PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA

CHAPTER 103

Statutory Authority: S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-3-140 (Supp. 2006)

### **Notice of Drafting:**

The Public Service Commission of South Carolina proposes to amend its regulations regarding representation of persons, interruption of service for water and wastewater utilities, and certain transportation regulations, including drug testing for passenger drivers. Interested persons may submit comments to the Public Service Commission, Docketing Department, 101 Executive Center Drive, Columbia, South Carolina 29210. Please reference Docket Number 2007-445-A. To be *considered*, comments must be received no later than 4:45 p.m. on **January 31**, **2008**.

### **Synopsis:**

The Commission intends to review certain regulations to determine if they should be amended to update them to conform to current law and current practices. The Commission is considering the addition of or amendment to the following regulations and topics:

- 1. Article 8 Regulation Governing *Legal* Representation of Pro se *Litigants* and Other Litigants Who Request Not to Be Represented by Counsel.
- 2. Regulations 103-514 and 103-714 -Interruption of Service/Violation of Rules Amended to Incorporate Reference to Department of Health and Environmental Control's Orders.
- 3. Regulation 103-133 -- Drug Testing for Passenger Carrier Drivers.
- 4. Article 2 Adoption of Regulations Governing Transportation of Household Goods by Storage Container.
- 5. Article 2, Subarticle 11 Regulation to Permit Refunds to Overcharged Consumers of the Household Goods Industry.
- 6. Regulation 103-150 or 103-240 Regulation to Authorize the ORS Inspectors to Immediately Remove Jurisdictional Unsafe Vehicles or Drivers from the State's Roadways.
- 7. Article 2 Addition of Regulations Governing "Stretcher Vans" to Comport with Changes in the Transportation Industry.
- 8. Article 8 Electronic Service of Pleadings between Parties in a Docket.
- 9. Articles 5 and 7 Performance Bonds, Sureties, and Financial Statements for Water and Sewerage Utilities.
- 10. Regulation 103-859 Emergency Procedures Amended to Add the Commission Staff.
- 11. Regulation 103-831 -- Computation of Time Amended to Clarify That This Regulation Does Not Apply to Petitions for Reconsideration or Rehearing.

Legislative review of these proposals will be required.